

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

IN RE: NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY  
ANNUAL RATE RECONCILIATION FILING

DOCKET NO. 3571

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 39-1-1, 39-1-11 and 39-3-11 of the Rhode Island General Laws, as amended, the Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) will conduct a hearing on **Tuesday, December 9, 2003 at 9:30 AM** in the first-floor hearing room of the Public Utilities Commission, 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island. The hearing may continue thereafter from day to day and time to time as required.

In this docket, the Commission will consider the propriety of the Narragansett Electric Company (“Company”) annual filing reconciling its tariff adjustment provisions through September 2003, estimating its 2004 expenses and revenues under these provisions, and proposing rate change effective January 1, 2004. Specifically, Narragansett seeks approval to implement the following rate changes: 1) a decrease to the transition charge from the current level of 0.944¢ per kWh to 0.855¢ per kWh, 2) an increase to the transmission adjustment factor from 0.063¢ per kWh to 0.080¢ per kWh, and 3) an increase to the current Standard Offer charge of 5.5¢ per kWh to 5.9¢ per kWh. The combined effect of the company’s proposed rate changes would result in an increase of \$1.70 per month or 2.9% to a typical residential customer using 500 kWh per month. The Commission may approve a different rate that may be higher or lower than that proposed by Narragansett.

The filing is on file for examination at the Commission’s office and at the office of the Narragansett Electric Company, 280 Melrose Street, Providence, Rhode Island. The filing can also be accessed at [www.ripuc.org/docket/3571page.html](http://www.ripuc.org/docket/3571page.html).

Reference is made to Chapters 39-1, 39-3 and 42-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws; specifically Sections 39-1-7, 39-1-8, 39-1-11, 39-1-12, 39-1-18, 39-1-20, 42-35-8 and 42-35-10.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION IS ACCESSIBLE TO THE HANDICAPPED. INDIVIDUALS REQUESTING INTERPRETER SERVICES FOR THE HEARING AND SPEECH IMPAIRED MUST NOTIFY THE COMMISSION CLERK'S OFFICE AT 941-4500 SEVENTY-TWO HOURS IN ADVANCE OF HEARING DATE.

Luly E. Massaro  
Commission Clerk  
November 26, 2003